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SOCCER WARRIORS STRONG CONTENDERS FOR NATIONAL CROWN

The Loyola Soccer Warriors will travel this weekend to Memorial University in St. John's, Newfoundland, to represent Quebec in the 1973 Canadian Intercollegiate Athletic Union National Championships.

The Warriors swept through the QUAA season undefeated (10-0-0), outscoring the opposition 51 goals to a mere 9. This brings to 50 Loyola's phenomenal streak of consecutive league games without a loss. Their last setback in league play occurred way back in 1967. This year's QUAA title is the seventh consecutive captured by the Soccer Warriors.

Other conference champions from across Canada who will participate in this weekend's event include the host Memorial Univ. squad (A.I.A.A.), Univ. of Winnipeg (G.P.A.C.) and Univ. of Alberta (C.W.U.A.A.). The Ontario (O.U.A.A.) winner will be either York Univ. or Laurentian Univ.

The 1973 edition of the Warriors will open their quest for national honors on Friday morning, November 9, at 10:30 A.M. against the host Memorial University Beothuks, the Maritime conference champions. Should they emerge victorious, they will move into the national final on Sunday at 1:30 P.M.

The Warriors and Beothuks have met twice before in national competition with both matches going right down to the wire. In 1970 the two clubs met in the national final with the Beothuks gaining the decision in double-overtime. The following year they met once again, this time the Warriors getting the nod, 2-1. This year's contest promises to provide more of the same fierce competition.

Loyola Coach Harry Hus will be relying heavily on high-scorers Mark Sosnowski, Tony Madiou and Ricky Knopp to provide the needed fire-power. Other Warrior standouts include goaler Wally Smith and National Team player, Jim Corsi.

Last year the Warriors lost in the National Championship game (played at CNE Stadium) to the Univ. of Alberta Golden Bears by the score of 3-1.

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